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Preliminary Agenda

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

**TUESDAY, January 10, 2023
LEGISLATIVE CHAMBER, OMAHA-DOUGLAS CIVIC CENTER
1819 FARNAM, OMAHA, NE**

9:00 a.m.

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RULES OF DEBATE

- A.** On items requiring discussion/action, the process for debate is as follows:
1. The introducer of the item may speak up to five minutes when he or she first presents the item to the Board of Commissioners.
 2. The Board will hear from proponents and then opponents (citizens are encouraged not to repeat previous comment/testimony). No additional comment/testimony will be permitted unless a Board member requests additional information.
 3. The introduced item shall be motioned and seconded to proceed to debate.
 4. Each Commissioner shall be allowed to speak on introduced item up to two times for no more than five minutes.
 5. The introducer of the item shall be permitted five minutes to close debate.
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MR. DANIEL A. ESCH, COUNTY CLERK:

Call to Order

Roll Call

- A. Election of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners for ensuing year.

CHAIR:

- B. Election of Vice-chair of the Board of Commissioners for ensuing year.

Recess

AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION
(9:00 a.m.)

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Roll Call

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting held Tuesday, December 20, 2022. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Call for a meeting and set **Tuesday, January 24, 2022**, as date for hearing on Certified Assessment Corrections reflecting the addition of omitted property to the tax rolls or increased value on property.
- C. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** *This is an opportunity for members of the audience to be heard at this time for a maximum of **5 minutes** on any topic not on the agenda as it relates to the governance of Douglas County. However, under the Open Meetings Act, agenda items should give reasonable notice of the matters to be considered by the Board so that the public will know which matters are under consideration. As a result, Commissioners will not engage in discussions, conversations, debates or take action on any item presented during Citizen Comments. If a citizen wishes to engage a Commissioner or the Board in a discussion, conversation, debate or have the Board take action, that citizen will follow up with County Administration or the Commissioner of their District and seek to have the item placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action as appropriate. During Citizen Comments, the Chair will keep order and a citizen may be called "out of order" for disruptive conduct or behavior.*

RESOLUTIONS:

- D. Denial of 2022 Permissive Exemption Applications. The website for Douglas County, www.douglascounty-ne.gov, in its section for Douglas County Agendas, has a link to the supporting information for this agenda item. (Assessor/Register of Deeds)
[\(See Attached\)](#)

- E. Certified Assessment Correction reflecting omitted or undervalued property and approval of corrections to the tax rolls: (Assessor/Register of Deeds) [\(See Attached\)](#)

CAC#	Owner Name	Explanation
22218	Eldan Forrest	Sold by Salvation Army, no longer exempt
22219	Julie Caddell	Mobile home moved lots, add value

- F. Certified Assessment Correction reflecting a correction in the values and approval. (Assessor/Register of Deeds) [\(See Attached\)](#)

CAC#	Owner Name	Explanation
22211	Falling Waters	Changing value to an outlot value
22212	David Evers	Information entered incorrectly on account
22213	Gerald Haiar	Land value should not have changed
22214	Guerrero Lorenzo	A depreciation factor was left off the property
22215	Allan James	Home was destroyed in 2020
22216	Pedro Marquez	Not the owner of mobile home
22217	Shirley Caruso	Taxes were accelerated and paid for 2022

- G. Approving corrections to Personal Property affecting the tax list based on taxpayer submitted personal property returns, amended returns, clerical error or changes to status of business. (Assessor/Register of Deeds). [\(See Attached\)](#)
- H. Request for the Board to approve the Treasurer's recommendation to deny application Form 453 for vehicle tax exempt status. Vernon J. Hardimon submitted a form 453 for a 2023 Subaru, and Abdoul G Songne submitted a form 453 for a 2011 Hyundai. Neither provided a supporting statement from the VA that is required by state law to obtain the exemption. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- I. Approving applications for tax Exemptions Form 457 on motor vehicles recommended for approval by the County Treasurer. [\(See Attached\)](#)

PROTESTS:

- J. Protest of CAC 22207 (Permissive Exemption for 3915 Davenport St. not granted for 2022. Owner of property is St. Barnabas Church). (Daniel A. Esch, Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- K. Protest of CAC 22208 (Permissive Exemption for 3919 Davenport St. not granted for 2022. Owner of property is St. Barnabas Church). (Daniel A. Esch, Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller) [\(See Attached\)](#)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

We reserve the right to enter an executive session in order to protect the public interest with respect to discussion regarding labor negotiations, litigation and personnel.

ADJOURN

AGENDA
FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF CORRECTIONS
(Immediately following the conclusion of the Board of Equalization meeting)

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Roll Call

1. Approval of the minutes of the Board of Corrections' meeting held Tuesday, December 13, 2022. [\(See Attached\)](#)

2. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** *This is an opportunity for members of the audience to be heard at this time for a maximum of **5 minutes** on any topic not on the agenda as it relates to the governance of Douglas County. However, under the Open Meetings Act, agenda items should give reasonable notice of the matters to be considered by the Board so that the public will know which matters are under consideration. As a result, Commissioners will not engage in discussions, conversations, debates or take action on any item presented during Citizen Comments. If a citizen wishes to engage a Commissioner or the Board in a discussion, conversation, debate or have the Board take action, that citizen will follow up with County Administration or the Commissioner of their District and seek to have the item placed on a future agenda for discussion and/or action as appropriate. During Citizen Comments, the Chair will keep order and a citizen may be called "out of order" for disruptive conduct or behavior.*

3. Report from the Director of Corrections. [\(See Attached\)](#)

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***--After the Douglas County Board of Commissioners' meeting today,
the Board of Corrections will tour the Corrections facility--***

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FOR
DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
(Immediately following the conclusion of the Board of Corrections meeting)

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Roll Call

I. MINUTES AND CLAIMS:

- A. Approval of minutes of the Board of Commissioners' meeting held Tuesday, December 20, 2022. [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Approval of claims submitted for payment processed through Tuesday, January 17, 2023. Complete listing is on file in the office of the County Clerk/Comptroller and available on the Douglas County Clerk/Comptroller's web page at:
<http://www.douglascountyclerk.org/supplierchecks>

II. CONSENT AGENDA: *Any individual item may be removed by a Commissioner for special discussion and consideration. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners.*

- A. Resolution for Surplus Property. (Eric J. Carlson, Purchasing Agent) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- B. Resolution authorizing the Board of Commissioners Chair to sign documents for the VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) grant.
(Lisa Daubman, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- C. Resolution approving a labor contract between Douglas County and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), Local #251, representing covered Douglas County Youth Center Employees, providing for contract terms for period 'January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025'. (Not Budgeted) (Marcos San Martin, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- D. Douglas County Engineer, requests the approval of the following:
 - 1. Traffic Control Devices in the Stone Ridge – S.I.D. 492 [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 2. Traffic Control Devices in Shadowbrook Subdivision – S.I.D. 527 [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 3. Public Hearing to be held by the County Board on January 31, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Legislative Chamber of the Omaha-Douglas Civic Center, 1819 Farnam Street, Omaha, NE regarding the vacation of 47th Street south of Manchester Drive within Yorkshire Hills Addition. [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 4. Traffic Control Devices in the Sanctuary Ridge Addition – S.I.D. No. 615
[\(See Attached\)](#)
- E. Approving Inter-local Agreement 6 month extension with per diem increase with Douglas County to Mutually House Juveniles. (Budgeted) (Mark Le Flore, Douglas County Youth Center) [\(See Attached\)](#)

- F. Approving Inter-local Agreement 6 month extension with per diem increase with Sarpy County to Mutually House Juveniles. (Budgeted) (Mark Le Flore, Douglas County Youth Center) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- G. Approval of Subdivision Agreement for Travis of Venice. (Kent E. Holm, Environmental Services) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- H. Approval of one year contract with Kelly Laine Design to provide graphic design services for the juvenile justice reform. (\$24,000 – Grant Funds – Budgeted) (Kim B. Hawekotte, County Administration) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- I. Resolution to approve “Demand for Refunds.” (\$69,813.43 – Budgeted) (Property Tax Division, - Treasurer) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- J. Dr. Lindsey Huse, Health Department Director, requests approval of the following:
 - 1. Amendment 1 from DHHS regarding Arboviral human surveillance and West Nile Virus surveillance through December 30, 2022. (\$10,000 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 2. Agreement from Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Public Health, Lifespan Health Services, Immunization Program regarding Voices for Children June 30, 2023. (\$92,727.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 3. Agreement Renewal 1 from Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Public Health, Office of Emergency Preparedness & Response regarding Cities Readiness Initiative through June 30, 2023. (\$109,546.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 4. Agreement with National Association of City and County Health Officials regarding COVID 19 Refugee, Immigrant, and Migrant program for a non-cost extension through November 30, 2022. (\$175,000.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 5. Agreement with Vaccination Services of America, Inc. (Total Wellness) regarding an Immunization Record Platform for confidential storage of data through June 30, 2023. (\$120,000.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 6. Resolution Renewing Board of Health members S. Selene Espinoza, John Wade, and ex officio board member, Deputy Chief, Scott Gray for the term ending December 31, 2025. [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 7. Resolution for new Board of Health member Peter Festersen to replace Ben Gray for the term ending December 31, 2025. [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 8. Agreement with Nebraska Department of Agriculture regarding Lab Testing and lead analysis of food samples and spices collected by the lead Poisoning Prevention Program through September 30, 2023. (\$15,000.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
 - 9. Agreement with the University of Nebraska Medical Center Research Information Technology Office (RITO) regarding technical services for REDCap projects through September 30, 2023 at \$60.00 per hour. (\$2,760.00 – Budgeted) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- K. The Douglas County Sheriff’s Office is requesting approval to renew a Services Agreement with Pottawattamie County. (R. Justin Aumann, Sheriff’s Office) [\(See Attached\)](#)
- L. Daniel A. Esch, County Clerk, presenting the following tort claim(s) for referral to the County’s Risk Manager for review and determination:
 - 1. James T. Kramer, \$76.17 requested [\(See Attached\)](#)

III. RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATIONS:

- A. Recognition of the following County Employee retired: **Wayne Hudson** worked for the Douglas County Sheriff's Department for 28 years.
(Karen Buche, Civil Service/HR) ([See Attached](#))

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V. PRESENTATIONS:

VI. PUBLIC HEARING:

VII. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ACTION:

A. FINANCE:

Commissioners PJ Morgan and Mike Friend, Co-chairs

1. Budget Report. (Budget and Finance Director) ([See Attached](#))

B. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

Commissioner Roger Garcia, Chair

C. CHILD AND YOUTH SERVICES:

Commissioner Chris Rodgers, Chair

D. COMMUNITY SERVICES:

Commissioner Maureen Boyle, Chair

E. CRIMINAL JUSTICE:

Commissioner Mike Friend, Chair

F. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:

Commissioner James Cavanaugh, Chair

G. HUMAN RESOURCES:

Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson, Chair

1. Weekly Personnel Report from Civil Service. ([See Attached](#))

2. Legislative issues. [\(See Attached\)](#)

Note: The Douglas County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to discuss and/or take action on any legislation, resolution or study, pending consideration by the state legislature. Such information may be viewed at the following address (this data is maintained by the Unicameral Information Office):

<http://nebraskalegislature.gov>

a. Other legislation

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JANUARY, 2023

<u>Sun.</u>	<u>Mon.</u>	<u>Tues.</u>	<u>Wed.</u>	<u>Thurs.</u>	<u>Fri.</u>	<u>Sat.</u>
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NOTICE

Douglas County offices will be closed Monday, January 16, 2023, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The Douglas County Board of Commissioners will NOT meet on Tuesday, January 17, 2023. The next scheduled meeting of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners will be Tuesday, January 24, 2023.

DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMITTEE AGENDA

The following committee of the Douglas County Board of Commissioners will meet during the month of January, 2023.

Community Services Committee

Maureen Boyle, Chair

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

1:00 p.m.

Omaha-Douglas Civic Center

1819 Farnam Street, Room 903

Omaha, NE

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1. Douglas County Fair
2. Discussion on Visitor Improvement Fund guidelines

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A list of committee agendas will be kept continually current and made available by the Board Secretary, LC 2, or at the Douglas County Website. Recordings of prior committee meetings are available on the Douglas County Website, www.douglascounty-ne.gov.